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Subject: Hardesty Progress!

Well, folks, we've seeing some progress. I just received today letters from MDNR that approve the plans they've received to-date:

1. PA/SI for the Complex
2. UST Remedial Action Plan for Bldg. 3A
3. UST Corrective Action Plan for Bldg. 4
4. Lead Abatement Clean-Up Plan for the Firing Range, Basement, Bldg. 9

The letters from MDNR are attached here:



MDNR ltr dtd 24 Feb 03 approving Lead, Bldg 4 UST, and Bldg 3 UST plā



MDNR ltr dtd 21 Feb 03 approving PASI.↓

So, what's next? We have several actions currently underway which we need to complete:

1. A Remedial Action Plan for the volatile organic compounds (VOCs) discovered during the PA/SI must be developed. One issue that we must look at very closely during this project is to what extent are the VOCs anticipated to have migrated off-site. Our contractor is preparing a work plan to be approved by MDNR so they can begin on-site work. We're hoping this remedial action plan will be completed before mid-June; once completed, it will go to MDNR for their approval.
2. A building-by-building walk-thru to identify any environmental issues present on the buildings' interiors must be completed. The need for this assessment became apparent when our contractor discovered a spill of transformer fluid in Bldg. 11; the fluid contains regulated amounts of PCBs. We anticipate a report (with clean-up plans) to be completed before mid-April; once completed, it will go to MDNR for their approval.

Once these last 2 projects are completed, all the clean-up plans mentioned above will be compiled into a "Site Clean-Up Library." This "Library" will become a part of the property transfer -- the new owner will be required to accomplish the clean-ups outlined in the "Library."

If you have any questions, pls let me know. I'll keep you informed.

Dave